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SUBJECT: WIDJOJO'S VISIT TO U.S.

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1. IDEA OF WIDJOJO'S VISIT TO U.S. IN APRIL HAS BEEN BASICALLY
GENERATED BY AMBASSADOR RUSMIN. IT IS SUPPORTED BY FOREIGN
MINISTER MALIK. WIDJOJO HIMSELF IS INTERESTED IN MEETING U.S.
OFFICIALS, AND PARTICULARLY UNDER SECRETARY COOPER WHOM HE
KNOWS, BEFORE CIEC MINISTERIAL MEETINGS.

2. WE HAVE SUPPORTED IDEA BECAUSE WE BELIEVE IT WILL BE USEFUL
FOR WIDJOJO TO HAVE VIEWS OF NEW ADMINISTRATION (AND VICE
VERSA) ON NORTH/SOUTH AND ENERGY ISSUES BEFORE RATHER THAN
AFTER CIEC. RECENT STATEMENTS BY ADMINISTRATION OFFICIALS
SUGGEST THINKING WELL ENOUGH ADVANCED FOR MEANINGFUL DISCUSSIONS.

3. WHILE LIM BIAN KIE'S MOTIVES MAY WELL BE TO INSURE ADEQUATE
RECEPTION AND FRUITFUL TALKS FOR WIDJOJO, I SUSPECT THEY
ALSO REPRESENT GENERAL MURTOPO'S DESIRE TO BE PRIMARY
CHANNEL FOR ALL HIGH LEVEL CONTACTS WITH U.S. OFFICIALS
AND CONGRESS. AS HELPFUL AS HE HAS BEEN ON MANY MATTERS,
I DO NOT BELIEVE IT IS IN OUR INTEREST TO LET THIS HAPPEN.

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I AM NOT SURE, IN LAST ANALYSIS, WIDJOJO WOULD EITHER.
MURTOPO, RECOGNIZING WIDJOJO'S IMPORTANCE AND CLOSENESS TO
PRESIDENT, HAS OBVIOUSLY BEEN SEEKING BETTER RELATIONS WITH
HIM. I WOULD IMAGINE WIDJOJO WILL WISH TO CONTINUE PRESERVE
HIS INDEPENDENCE.

4. UNLESS DEPARTMENT HAS ALREADY DONE SO, I WOULD SUGGEST

BIAN KIE CONVERSATION NOT BE MENTIONED TO RUSMIN. IN DISCUSSIONS WITH RUSMIN, DEPARTMENT MIGHT SAY QUESTION HAD BEEN RAISED AS TO WHETHER LATER TIMING MIGHT NOT BE BETTER, BUT DEPARTMENT IS PREPARED RECEIVE WIDJOJO AT HIS CONVENIENCE. LET RUSMIN DECIDE.

5. IF BIAN KIE RAISES QUESTION HERE, I WOULD PROPOSE SAY TO HIM WE HAD CONSIDERED MATTER OF TIMING, BUT FELT USG POSITION NOW WELL ENOUGH ALONG TO PERMIT USEFUL DISCUSSIONS BEFORE CIEC MEETINGS AND WIDJOJO'S PRESENCE IN NEW YORK FOR U.N. COMMITTEE MEETING PROVIDES EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY.
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